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for account insurance purposes, the interest of each person in such an account shall be added to any other account individually owned by such person and insured up to the SMSIA in the aggregate. For purposes of this section, "independent activity" means an activity other than one directed solely at increasing insurance coverage.

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§745.7 Shares accepted in a foreign currency.

An insured credit union may accept shares denominated in a foreign currency. Shares denominated in a foreign currency will be insured in accordance with this part to the same extent as shares denominated in U.S. dollars. Insurance for shares denominated in foreign currency will be determined and paid in the amount of United States dollars that is equivalent in value to the amount of the shares denominated in the foreign currency as of close of business on the date of default of the insured credit union. The exchange rates to be used for such conversions are the 12 p.m. rates (the "noon buying rates for cable transfers") quoted for major currencies by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York on the date of default of the insured credit union, unless the share agreement provides that some other widely recognized exchange rates are to be used for all purposes under that agreement.

 $[71\;\mathrm{FR}\;14635,\,\mathrm{Mar}.\;23,\,2006]$

§745.8 Joint ownership accounts.

(a) Separate insurance coverage. Qualifying joint accounts, whether owned as joint tenants with right of survivorship, as tenants by the entireties, as tenants in common, or by husband and wife as community property, shall be insured separately from accounts individually owned by any of the co-owners. The interest of a co-owner in all qualifying joint accounts shall be added together and the total for that co-owner shall be insured up to the SMSIA.

(b) Determination of insurance coverage. The interests of each co-owner in all qualifying joint accounts shall be added together and the total shall be

insured up to the SMSIA. (EXAMPLE: "A&B" have a qualifying joint account with a balance of \$150,000; "A&C" have a qualifying joint account with a balance of \$200,000; and "A&B&C" have a qualifying joint account with a balance of \$375,000. A's combined ownership interest in all qualifying joint accounts would be \$300,000 (\$75,000 plus \$100,000 plus \$125,000); therefore, A's interest would be insured in the amount of \$250,000 and uninsured in the amount of \$50,000. B's combined ownership interest in all qualifying joint accounts would be \$200,000 (\$75,000 plus \$125,000); therefore, B's interest would be fully insured. C's combined ownership interest in all qualifying joint accounts would be \$225,000 (\$100,000 plus \$125,000); therefore, C's interest would be fully insured.

(c) Qualifying joint accounts. A joint account is a qualifying joint account if each of the co-owners has personally signed a membership or account signature card and has a right of withdrawal on the same basis as the other co-owners. The signature requirement does not apply to share certificates, or to any accounts maintained by an agent, nominee, guardian, custodian or conservator on behalf of two or more persons if the records of the credit union properly reflect that the account is so maintained.

(d) Failure to qualify. A joint account that does not meet the requirements for a qualifying joint account shall be treated as owned by the named persons as individuals and the actual ownership interest of each such person in such account shall be added to any other accounts individually owned by such person and insured up to the SMSIA in the aggregate. An account will not fail to qualify as a joint account if a joint owner is a minor and applicable state law limits or restricts a minor's withdrawal rights.

(e) Nonmember joint owners. A nonmember may become a joint owner with a member on a joint account with right of survivorship. The nonmember's interest in such accounts will be insured in the same manner as the member joint-owner's interest.

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